



Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

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Our common ground is our New Wisconsin Promise—our commitment to ensure a quality education for every child. Raising achievement for all students and closing the achievement gap between economically disadvantaged students, students of color, and their peers is our No. 1 priority. A quality education system is the foundation of a strong democracy and healthy economy.

Our New Wisconsin Promise is committed to ensuring that every child graduates with the knowledge and skills necessary for success in the 21st century global society by:

- Ensuring quality teachers in every classroom and strong leadership in every school.
- Improving student achievement with a focus on reading that has all students reading at or above grade level.
- Investing in early learning opportunities through the four-year-old kindergarten, Preschool to Grade 5, and SAGE class-size reduction programs.
- Sharing responsibility by increasing parental and community involvement in our schools and libraries to address teenage literacy, drop-outs, and truancy.
- Advancing career, technical, and arts education to engage students in becoming active citizens by understanding their role in the family, society, and the world of work.
- Providing effective pupil services, special education, and prevention programs to support learning and development for all students while preventing and reducing barriers to student success.